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The reply brief filed March 16, 2005 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

The examiner wishes to attend as an observer (but not participate in) the oral hearing as provided in MPEP 1208, 1209.


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